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**PATENT****CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-8. (Cancelled).

9. (Currently amended): The method of claim ~~7~~ 21 wherein the human  $\alpha$ -interferon is obtained from a lymphoblastoid cell culture.

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Currently amended): The method of claim ~~7~~ 21 wherein the human  $\alpha$ -interferon is obtained from lymphocyte cells.

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Currently amended): The method of claim ~~7~~ 21 wherein the formulation is administered in a single dosage unit having a volume of approximately 1 milliliter.

14. (Cancelled).

15. (Original): The method of claim 9 wherein the formulation is administered in a single dosage unit having a volume of approximately 1 milliliter.

16. (Cancelled).

17. (Original): The method of claim 11 wherein the formulation is administered in a single dosage unit having a volume of approximately 1 milliliter.

18-20. (Cancelled).

21. (Currently amended): A method of treating a ~~subject~~ human having type C viral hepatitis comprising administering to the ~~subject~~ human a daily dose of a liquid

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of human  $\alpha$ -interferon, wherein the daily dose is administered by a peroral route, and  
wherein the daily dose is between 100 and 500 IU.

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